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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed May 12, 1998, applicants elect without traverse to prosecute species claims 17-18, and 20, as well as generic claims 1-10, 19, and 25-28. If there are any charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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